

I call on you to hold an official public hearing in my state.

Before the disastrous 2003 decision to weaken media ownership rules (which a federal court has now overturned), you held only one official public hearing. Further, FCC officials met behind closed doors 71 times with major broadcasters – but only five times with public interest groups. And to justify your actions, you used deceptive, industry-sponsored research data.

The will of Big Media had been heeded at the expense of American citizens and democracy itself. This has to end. Before you rewrite the ownership rules, I demand an official public FCC hearing in my state, impartial and verifiable research, and transparent debates.

It is time to put the needs of democracy – a diverse, skeptical, independent and competitive media system – ahead of profit-hungry media giants.

In this political season and in my perception since Bush ran for office in 2000, The TV media has become more and more bias in their expression of balance of point of view. In my view showing far more Republican points of view and weak Democrat points of view. This may in fact come to mind clearly as early as the impeachment hearings of Clinton or the Confirmation of Clarence Thomas for Supreme Court. The media seems through their bias to effect outcomes. And, eventhough events or fact are clearly untrue they are continued to be put before the public as though they have validity. The Swfit Boat Ads and ongoing presentation in the news is a clear example. The Swfit Boat people were not even their for the most part when Kerry was and the few that might have been were not on his boat or even on the same river. Yet, the media contiued to interview these obvious quasi employees of the Bush campaign which slandered Kerry and hurt him in the polls. Fox is so absurd I can't watch it and CNBC with Kudlow and Mark and the boys are almost as bad. Even Cris Mathews seems to be forced to show false stuff over and over.

The media must stop attempting to control our destinies and present the information through good scholarship. With people who will look at all sides for the highest and best.

Bring back integrity to media by breaking up these power hungry giants.